

## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:

Edwin C. Bartlett et al.

Serial No.:

09/711,039

Filing Date:

11/09/2000

For:

APPARATUS AND METHOD

FOR ANCHORING SUTURES

Group Art Unit:

3731

Examiner:

Sir:

Gary Jackson

Attorney's Docket No.:

MIT-0223

I HEREBY CERTIFY THAT THIS CORRESPONDENCE IS BEING DEPOSITED WITH THE UNITED STATES POSTAL SERVICE AS FIRST CLASS MAIL, POSTAGE PREPAID, IN AN ENVELOPE ADDRESSED TO: ASSISTANT 'COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS, WASHINGTON, D.C. 20221, Obj.

COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS, WASHINGTON, D.C. 20231, ON:

January 10, 2003 (DATE OF DEPOSIT)

RECEIVED

JAN 1 7 2003

**TECHNOLOGY CENTER R3700** 

Assistant Commissioner For Patents

Washington, D.C. 20231

James A. Sheridan

NAME OF ALCORNET)

(SIGNATURE)

January 10, 2003

(DATE OF SIGNATURE)

## **AMENDMENT**

This is in response to the Official Action currently outstanding with respect to the above-identified patent application.

Please amend the application as follows: